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Below is a statement from University of California (UC) Vice-President for Laboratory Management S. Robert Foley regarding U.S. Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham's announcement to extend the contract to manage Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) and to hold separate contract competitions for Livermore and Los Alamos National Laboratories. The contract to manage LLNL was set to expire September 30, 2005.

Earlier today US Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham announced his decision to extend the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory contract and to hold separate contract competitions for Livermore and Los Alamos National Laboratory. This decision neither changes the University of California's ongoing preparations to compete for continued management of all three UC-managed national laboratories, nor alters its continuing commitment to serving the nation. The final decision to compete will be made by the UC Board of Regents following a review of the final request for proposals for each laboratory contract competition.

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